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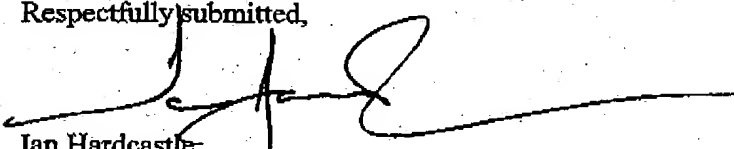
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Enclosed is the a Notice of Appeal in response to the Final Office Action dated April 6, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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## PATENT APPLICATION

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Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the examiner dated, April 6, 2004, rejecting the following claims 42 - 60.

The fee for this Notice of Appeal (37 CFR 1.17(b)) is \$330.00.

(complete (a) or (b) as applicable)

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( ) three months	\$950.00
( ) four months	\$1480.00

( ) The extension fee has already been filed in this application.

(X) (b) Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

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